<u>SUBJECT</u>: Opposing CT Regionalization of School - SB 738 Sen Looneys Bill) and (SB 457 (Sen Duff Bill)

Dear Committee

As a resident of CT for more than 2 decades and parent of Wilton public school students, I oppose SB 738 Sen Looneys Bill) and (SB 457 (Sen Duff Bill) would require regionalization of our schools.

We bought a house in Wilton CT for the school district. We are already paying a lot in mortgage and taxes and all for our kids to attend the school.

A month ago, my husband was layed-off from the company in CT that he worked for past 18 years. I am commuting 2 hours to NY so my kids can go to this particular school district. We are already struggling and the reason we are still in CT is because of the school we belong to and the close-knit friends that my kids have at school.

The regionalization of school is not going to help our kids or schools in anyway - what it's going to bring is drop in prices of real estate, fore closures, bankruptcy, unhappy parents and kids, more JOBs lost in an already struggling economy. More people will be moving out of Connecticut to other states which will be more friendly to parents and taxes and jobs.

I speak not only for myself but on behalf of all the residents of WILTON who is and WILL strongly oppose this bill .

I strongly oppose SB 738 & 457 the bill to regionalize Connecticut schools.

Sincerely,

Concerned citizen/parent in WILTON, Connecticut